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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

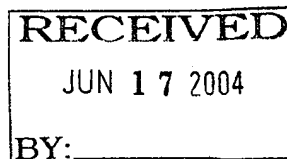
The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
  - The drawings must be reasonably free from erasures and must be free from alterations, overwriting, interlineations, folds, and copy marks. See Figure(s) 2-5, 7A, 8.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is **\$130** for a Large Entity

- **\$130** Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

Items Required To Avoid Processing Delays:

The item(s) indicated below are also required and should be submitted with any reply to this notice to avoid

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further processing delays.

- A new oath or declaration, identifying this application number is required. The oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.63 in that it:
- does not identify the residence (e.g., city and either state or foreign country) of each inventor.
- does not identify the complete mailing or post office address of each inventor.

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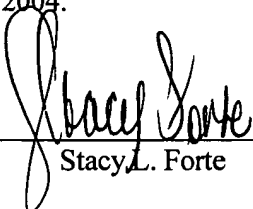
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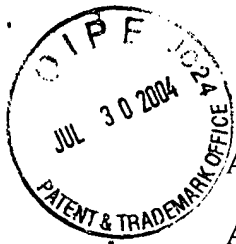
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Applicant: Ralph L. Chappell, et al.  
Filed: January 30, 2004  
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Examiner: Unknown  
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Attorney Docket: Serie 6375

**TRANSMITTAL OF MISSING PARTS UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.63**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated June 14, 2004, Applicant respectfully submits herewith the Declaration and Power of Attorney in connection with the above-identified application.

Please charge any fee due on the above application to Deposit Account No. 01-1375. The estimated fee due is: \$130.00 for Transmittal of Missing Parts.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this paper, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-1375. This sheet is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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**SUBMISSION OF FORMAL DRAWINGS**

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Attention: Official Draftsman

Dear Sir:

Applicant herewith submits 3 sheets of formal drawings in the above-identified application. Should the enclosed drawings require changes, it is respectfully requested that the Patent and Trademark Office notify the undersigned of same.

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